



Divinity

The Faculty of Divinity is a centre of excellence for teaching and research in Theology, Biblical Studies, Religious Studies, and the Philosophy of Religion and Ethics. With more than 300 students – including 130 postgraduates – you will be joining a vibrant, international community which combines outstanding research with excellent teaching.

As well as 25 full-time lecturers, the wider Faculty includes many college deans and chaplains, and leading thinkers such as Professor Rowan Williams. Many of our lecturers work across disciplinary borders. Between them, they bring a wealth of experience to the community.

Our MPhil attracts students with diverse interests – from internet religious cults to Paul and Hellenism and medieval Islamic logic. We offer varied streams, which allow you scope to create a tailor-made course.

Current streams include Philosophy of Religion; Christian Theology; New Testament and Early Christianity; Old Testament;

Religions in Antiquity (including Rabbinic and Hellenistic Judaism and the origins of Islam); Study of World Religions; and World Christianities. Our newest stream is Anglican Studies, which is ideal for new ordinands as well as those taking a study break during their ministerial career.

Each stream offers at least two modules, although you can select modules from different streams. To develop your research skills, you will work one-to-one with your supervisor to complete a 15,000 to 20,000-word dissertation.

At Cambridge, you will have access to superb library facilities, including the Taylor-Schechter Cairo Genizah and Tyndale House (for Biblical Studies). Your MPhil will be enriched by our close teaching links with the Cambridge Theological Federation, the Cambridge Centre for Christianity Worldwide, the Von Hügel Institute (Catholic Thought and Culture), the Kirby Laing Institute for Christian Ethics, and the Faraday Institute for Science and Theology.

The MPhil is traditionally a bridge to a PhD, but many students come to Cambridge for a year of advanced study before or after

working for non-governmental organisations, for example. Our MPhil graduates go on to work in a wide range of fields and professions, including law, journalism and the civil service, as well as to doctoral research and teaching careers at many of the world's most highly regarded universities.

"I didn't go straight into my MPhil after my undergraduate degree because I was a bit concerned about ivory towers. But coming back for my MPhil, I've been reassured by my interactions in the Faculty of Divinity - people see Theology as outward facing and offering wisdom to think about things that really matter."

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